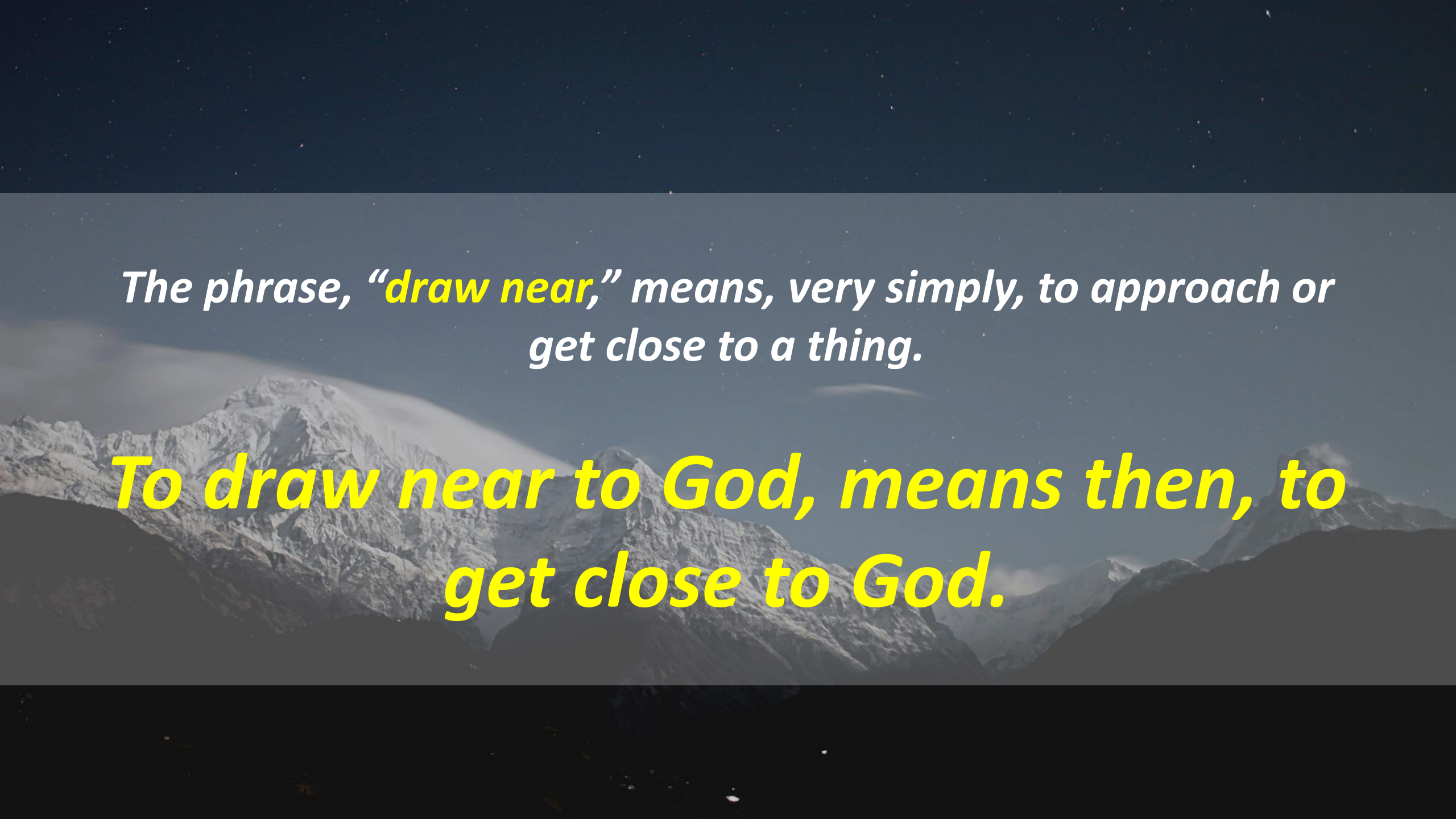


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RIGHTEOUSNESS NEARNESS

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*The phrase, “**draw near**,” means, very simply, to approach or get close to a thing.*

To draw near to God, means then, to get close to God.

A majestic, snow-capped mountain range under a starry night sky. The mountains are rugged and covered in snow, with some peaks partially hidden by low-hanging clouds. The sky is dark blue and black, filled with numerous small, bright stars. The overall scene is serene and awe-inspiring.

*Is there something that can hinder
GOD's nearness to us?*



“¹⁴Justice is *turned back*, and righteousness *stands far away*; for truth has *stumbled in the public squares*, and uprightness *cannot enter*.”

ISAIAH 59:14 ESV



“¹⁵Truth is *lacking*, and he who departs from evil makes himself a prey. The LORD saw it, and it displeased him that *there was no justice.*”

ISAIAH 59:15 ESV



“¹⁶He saw that there was ***no man***, and wondered that there was ***no one to intercede***; then his own arm brought him salvation, and his righteousness upheld him.”

ISAIAH 59:16 ESV



BARRIER



**“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just
to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from
all unrighteousness.”**

1 John 1:9 ESV

BARRIER = SIN



“¹⁷He put on *righteousness as a breastplate*, and a *helmet of salvation* on his head; he put on *garments of vengeance* for clothing, and wrapped himself in *zeal as a cloak*.”

ISAIAH 59:17 ESV



“¹⁸According to their deeds, so will he repay, wrath to his adversaries, repayment to his enemies; to the coastlands he will render repayment.”

ISAIAH 59:17-18 ESV



**“¹⁹So they shall fear the name of the Lord from the west,
and his glory from the rising of the sun; for he will come
like a rushing stream, which the wind of the Lord drives.
²⁰And a Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob
who turn from transgression,” declares the LORD.”**

ISAIAH 59:19-20 ESV

BRIDGE = JESUS

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“And as for me, this is my covenant with them,” says the Lord:
“***My Spirit that is upon you***, and my words that I have put in
your mouth, shall not depart out of your mouth, or out of the
mouth of your offspring, or out of the mouth of your children's
offspring,” says the Lord, “from this time forth and
forevermore.”

ISAIAH 59:21 ESV



BARRIER BRIDGE BLESSING